

Proposed FY 2022-23 Funding Recommendations

WEBINAR

February 23, 2022

FY 2022-23 MEASURE H FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS PROCESS

November 2021

• The Homeless Initiative informed the County Board of Supervisors of its plans to launch a process to develop final FY 2022-23 Measure H funding recommendations.

First Public Comment Period

Public comments were solicited from January 11 to February 1, 2022, through a
publicized online form. Comments received will be available to view and download
by February 25, 2022 at https://homeless.lacounty.gov/2022-23-fundingrecommendations-process/

Strategy Lead Discussions

• In January and February 2022, County departments and LAHSA Strategy Leads participated in meetings to consider relevant data, community input, and other available information to develop draft FY 2022-23 funding recommendations.

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Public Release of Draft Funding Recommendations for Public Comment

- On February 23, 2022, the Draft FY 2022-23 Funding Recommendations were posted on the Homeless Initiative website, which are available to view and download at https://homeless.lacounty.gov/2022-23-funding-recommendations-process/.
- Strategy Fact Sheets, this webinar PowerPoint and other background information will also be posted on that website by February 25, 2022.

Second Public Comment Period

- From February 23 March 10, members of the public are invited to submit public comment via the above weblink.
- On March 9, from 1:00–4:00 pm, a virtual public meeting will be held; members of the public will be able to provide verbal comments on the recommendations.

April 14, 2022

Draft Board Letter will be presented at Homeless Policy Board Deputies Meeting

May 17, 2022

Board of Supervisors will consider the FY 2022-23 Funding Recommendations





A1: Homeless Prevention Program for Families

LEAD AGENCY: LAHSA / DCFS

DESCRIPTION:

LAHSA administers this strategy using a multi-faceted approach to implement an integrated, comprehensive homeless prevention program to effectively identify, assess, and prevent families from becoming homeless, and divert families in a housing crisis from homelessness. This strategy addresses rental/housing subsidies, case management and employment services, and legal services.

DCFS administers the Prevention and Aftercare Program for a pilot to provide financial assistance to families who are referred to DCFS, do not have an open DCFS case, and have unstable housing.



A1: Homeless Prevention Program for Families

| FY 2021-22 ALLOCATION | FY 2022-23 FUNDING RECOMMENDED |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$11,500,000 | \$8,001,000 |

- LAHSA is proposed to receive an allocation of \$7,501,000 Measure H funding and leverage additional non-CEO administered County funding to maintain LAHSA service levels comparable to those in FY 2021-22 for this strategy.
- Due to COVID-19, \$500,000 allocated to DCFS in FY 2020-21 was unspent and carried over to FY 2021-22. Therefore, no new funding was allocated in FY 2021-22. For FY 2022-23, \$500,000K Measure H funding is proposed to maintain service levels comparable to those in FY 2021-22.



A5: Homeless Prevention Program for Individuals

LEAD AGENCY: LAHSA / DCFS / CEO

DESCRIPTION:

LAHSA administers this strategy using a multi-faceted approach to implement an integrated, comprehensive homeless prevention program to effectively identify, assess, and prevent individuals from becoming homeless, and divert individuals in a housing crisis from homelessness. This strategy provides rental/housing subsidies, case management and employment services, and legal services.



A5: Homeless Prevention Program for Individuals

| FY 2021-22 ALLOCATION | FY 2022-23 FUNDING RECOMMENDED |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$11,500,000 | \$11,136,000 |

- LAHSA is proposed to receive \$10,224,000 Measure H funding and will leverage non-CEO administered County funding sources to maintain LAHSA service levels comparable to those in FY 2021-22.
- Due to COVID-19, there was \$300,000 allocated to DCFS in FY 2020-21 that was unspent and carried over to FY 2021-22. Therefore, no new funding was allocated in FY 2021-22. For FY 2022-23, \$300,000 Measure H funding is proposed to maintain service levels comparable to those in FY 2021-22.
- CEO is proposed to receive \$412,000 Measure H funding for Continuum of Care contracts for Long Beach, Pasadena and Glendale. Slight reduction in funding to reflect actual costs.



B1: Provide Subsidized Housing to Homeless Disabled Individuals Pursuing SSI

LEAD AGENCY: DPSS

DESCRIPTION:

DPSS provides rental subsidies to disabled homeless General Relief participants applying for Supplemental Security Income (SSI). For individuals approved for SSI, those rental subsidy costs are recovered through Interim Assistance Reimbursement and reinvested in the program.



B1: Provide Subsidized Housing to Homeless Disabled Individuals Pursuing SSI

| FY 2021-22 ALLOCATION | FY 2022-23 FUNDING RECOMMENDED |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$5,138,000 | \$3,620,000 |

EXPLANATION OF VARIANCE FROM FY 2021-22:

• This strategy will leverage non-CEO administered funding to maintain service levels comparable to those in FY 2021-22.



B3: Expand Rapid Re-housing

LEAD AGENCY: LAHSA / CEO

DESCRIPTION:

Rapid re-housing is a crisis intervention model designed to help individuals and families quickly exit homelessness and return to permanent housing. Rapid re-housing assistance is offered without preconditions — like employment, income, absence of criminal record, or sobriety — and the services provided are tailored to the unique needs of the household including time-limited financial assistance, housing location, and case management.



B3: Expand Rapid Re-housing

| FY 2021-22 ALLOCATION | FY 2022-23 FUNDING RECOMMENDED |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$87,719,000 | \$64,929,000 |

- LAHSA is proposed to receive \$64,929,000 Measure H funding and will leverage CEO and/or non-CEO administered County funding sources to maintain LAHSA service levels comparable to those in FY 2021-22.
- Funding allocated to CEO (\$740,000) is for the Continuum of Care contracts with Long Beach, Pasadena and Glendale. Recommended reduction reflects actual program costs.



B4: Facilitate Utilization of Federal Housing Subsidies

LEAD AGENCY: LACDA

DESCRIPTION:

The Homeless Incentive Program (HIP) encourages landlord acceptance of subsidized tenants with a Housing and Urban Development voucher issued by a participating Public Housing Authority (PHA).

HIP provides the following services:

- Damage Mitigation / Property Compliance Fund
- Vacancy payments to hold units
- Security deposit assistance
- Housing counseling and retention services



B4: Facilitate Utilization of Federal Housing Subsidies

| FY 2021-22 ALLOCATION | FY 2022-23 FUNDING RECOMMENDED |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$11,105,000 | \$13,853,000 |

EXPLANATION FOR VARIANCE FROM FY 2021-22:

• Increase reflects the commitment by some Public Housing Authorities to dedicate additional federal vouchers to the program as well as a slight increase in the average cost to place families.



B6: Family Reunification Housing Subsidies

LEAD AGENCY: DCFS

DESCRIPTION:

This strategy provides rapid re-housing and case management to families in the child welfare system where parental homelessness is the sole barrier to the return of their child(ren). A significant number of children in out-of-home placements can be reunited with their parents, if their parents are able to obtain and sustain suitable housing.



B6: Family Reunification Housing Subsidies

| FY 2021-22 ALLOCATION | FY 2022-23 FUNDING RECOMMENDED |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$1,468,000 | \$0 |

EXPLANATION FOR VARIANCE FROM FY 2021-22:

 This strategy will leverage non-CEO administered County funding sources to maintain service levels comparable to those in FY 2021-22.



B7: Interim Housing for Those Exiting Institutions

LEAD AGENCY: LAHSA / DHS / DMH/ DPH

DESCRIPTION:

Strategy B7 increases the interim/bridge housing stock across the County. B7 beds are used for individuals exiting institutions, including jails, hospitals (public and private), residential mental health facilities, and foster care.

Bridge housing for individuals exiting institutions includes:

- Shelter
- Stabilization Housing
- Shared Recovery Housing
- Recuperative Care
- Community-based Residential Care for disabled individuals



B7: Interim Housing for Those Exiting Institutions

| FY 2021-22 ALLOCATION | FY 2022-23 FUNDING RECOMMENDED |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$36,820,000 | \$37,684,000 |

- LAHSA is proposed to receive \$4,676,000 Measure H funding, which reflects a slight increase above the FY 2021-22 for staffing costs necessary for strategy operation.
- DHS is proposed to receive \$22,531,000 Measure H funding, which is a slight reduction from FY 2021-22 to reflect actual cost for DHS to administer B7 interim housing beds.
- DMH is proposed to receive \$83,000 Measure H funding, which is a slight increase above FY 2021-22 to reflects actual costs for salaries and employee benefits.
- DPH is proposed to receive \$10,394,000 Measure H, which is an increase from FY 2021-22 for the following: 1) actual costs for salaries and employee benefits; and 2) the need to maintain the operation of Recovery Bridge Housing beds after one-time funding for those beds is expended by mid FY 2022-23.



C4/C5/C6: Countywide SSI/SSDI and Veterans Benefits Advocacy

LEAD AGENCY: DHS / DPSS / DMH

DESCRIPTION:

This strategy provides Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI), and any other applicable Social Security Administration benefits and Veterans Benefits Advocacy for disabled individuals who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. Services include support with developing and filing high quality benefits applications, securing medical records, legal representation for appeals needs, coordinating housing and other needed services.



C4/C5/C6: Countywide SSI/SSDI and Veterans Benefits Advocacy

| FY 2021-22 ALLOCATION | FY 2022-23 FUNDING RECOMMENDED |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$9,982,000 | \$1,993,000 |

- DHS/DPSS will leverage approximately \$9.0M in non-CEO administered funding to maintain service levels comparable to those in FY 2021-22.
- DMH is proposed to receive \$1,993,000 Measure H funding, which is an increase from FY 2021-22 to reflect an increase for salaries and employee benefits formerly offset with other funding. Costs are necessary for strategy operation and do not represent net new positions.



C7: Increase Employment for Homeless Adults

LEAD AGENCY: WDACS Economic and Workforce Development

DESCRIPTION:

Individuals who are experiencing homelessness, recently homeless, or at risk of homelessness are provided expanded employment opportunities and support through subsidized employment, including through Social Enterprises, career pathways opportunities, and other programming.



C7: Increase Employment for Homeless Adults

| FY 2021-22 ALLOCATION | FY 2022-23 FUNDING RECOMMENDED |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$7,100,000 | \$7,100,000 |

EXPLANATION FOR VARIANCE FROM FY 2021-22:

No Change

LEAD AGENCY: DHS / Sheriff

DESCRIPTION:

Jail In-Reach (JIR) links homeless incarcerated individuals to supportive services from the beginning of incarceration in order to avoid discharges into homelessness. Case managers from four contracted community-based organizations work with individuals in all County jail facilities and continue case management in the community post-release.

| FY 2021-22 ALLOCATION | FY 2022-23 FUNDING RECOMMENDED |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$2,335,000 | \$2,540,000 |

- DHS is proposed to receive \$2,091,00 in Measure H funding, which is a slight increase from FY 2021-22 to reflect an increase for salaries and employee benefits necessary for strategy operation.
- LASD is proposed to receive \$449,000 which is a slight decrease to reflect actual staff costs.



D6: Criminal Record Clearing Project

LEAD AGENCY: Public Defender

DESCRIPTION:

Criminal Record Clearing Project outreach teams deploy mobile legal clinics to encampments, County and City facilities, and at events hosted by community- and faith-based organizations.

In this unique partnership, Public Defender and Los Angeles City Attorney work together to expand access to criminal records clearing services, which remove barriers to housing, employment, and other resources for people experiencing homelessness.



D6: Criminal Record Clearing Project

| FY 2021-22 ALLOCATION | FY 2022-23 FUNDING RECOMMENDED |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$3,067,000 | \$3,098,000 |

EXPLANATION FOR VARIANCE FROM FY 2021-22:

• Increase is for salaries and employee benefit costs, which are necessary for strategy operation and do not represent net new positions.



D7: Provide Services for Permanent Supportive Housing

LEAD AGENCY: DHS/DMH/DPH

DESCRIPTION:

Funding for this strategy provides supportive services including intensive case management, specialty mental health and substance abuse assessment and linkage to services and, subject to availability, a locally-funded rent subsidy for disabled homeless adults and families who need permanent supportive housing.



D7: Provide Services for Permanent Supportive Housing

| FY 2021-22 ALLOCATION | FY 2022-23 FUNDING RECOMMENDED |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$125,732,000 | \$143,784,000 |

- DHS is proposed to receive \$128,439,000 (combined Measure H and State Homeless, Housing and Assistance Program (HHAP) funding reflecting an increase from FY 2021-22 due to additional supportive services consistent with the increase in permanent supportive housing units/subsidies.
- DMH is proposed to receive \$13,121,000 Measure H reflecting an increase from FY 2021-22 due to additional supportive services consistent with the increase in permanent supportive housing units/subsidies.
- DPH is proposed to receive \$2,224,000 Measure H reflecting an increase from FY 2021-22 due to additional supportive services consistent with the increase in permanent supportive housing units/subsidies.



E6: Expand Countywide Outreach System

LEAD AGENCY: LAHSA / DHS / DPH / CEO

DESCRIPTION:

The Countywide Outreach System includes:

- Generalist and multidisciplinary outreach teams;
- Coordination of all outreach teams through Countywide outreach coordination at LAHSA and through multiple regional CES outreach coordinators within each SPA;
- A web-based communication platform (LA-HOP) enables all County organizations and residents to report people in need of homeless outreach. Outreach requests submitted via the platform are automatically routed to the appropriate regional outreach coordinator so that a team can be sent to the location.



E6: Expand Countywide Outreach System

| FY 2021-22 ALLOCATION | FY 2022-23 FUNDING RECOMMENDED |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$39,165,000 | \$40,150,000 |

- LAHSA is proposed to receive \$11,572,000 in Measure H funding reflecting an increase for additional staffing costs necessary for strategy operation.
- DHS is proposed to receive \$26,784,000 in Measure H reflecting an increase for salaries and employee benefit costs, which are necessary for strategy operation and do not represent net new positions.
- DPH is proposed to receive \$756,000 in Measure H reflecting no change from FY 2021-22.
- CEO is proposed to receive \$1,038,000 in Measure H funding for Continuum of Care contracts for Long Beach and Glendale. The increase from FY 2021-22 is due to implementation of the Homeless Encampment Automated Request System and to reflect actual program costs.



E7: Strengthen the Coordinated Entry System

LEAD AGENCY: LAHSA / CEO

DESCRIPTION:

The Coordinated Entry System (CES) is a no-wrong door, countywide system that engages and connects homeless families and individuals to the optimal resources for their housing needs. Funding for this strategy strengthens the Coordinated Entry System by supporting the following components:

- Housing Navigation (including DV Housing Navigation)
- Legal Services
- Representative Payee
- Regional Coordination (including DV regional coordination)
- Agency Training
- Agency Technical Assistance

This strategy provides funding to the Councils of Governments to provide regional coordination services to engage cities in Los Angeles County to prevent and combat homelessness. Such effort includes education, service coordination, staff training, policy/advocacy, and housing solutions.



E7: Strengthen the Coordinated Entry System

| FY 2021-22 ALLOCATION | FY 2022-23 FUNDING RECOMMENDED |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$31,296,000 | \$40,438,000 |

- LAHSA is proposed to receive \$19,434,000 Measure H and will leverage non-CEO County administered funding sources to maintain LAHSA service levels comparable to those in FY 2021-22.
- CEO is proposed to receive \$21,004,000 Measure H for the following: 1) \$10m for Councils of Governments and their member cities; 2) \$10m for new investments for local jurisdictions; 3) \$500K for Regional Coordination; 4) \$319K for the second year of the 2-Year Countywide Women's Needs Assessment project; and 5) \$473K for the administration of Continuum of Care contracts for Long Beach, Pasadena and Glendale.



E8: Enhance the Emergency Shelter System

LEAD AGENCY: LAHSA / DHS / DMH / DPH / CEO

DESCRIPTION:

Enhancements to the emergency shelter system include:

- More beds made possible by Measure H funding;
- Facilities that operate 24 hours a day;
- Provision of and/or linkage to mental health and substance use disorder services;
- Availability to partners and pets;
- Storage for belongings; and
- Confidentiality for those fleeing domestic violence and others who require it.



E8: Enhance the Emergency Shelter System

| FY 2021-22 ALLOCATION | FY 2022-23 FUNDING RECOMMENDED |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$114,668,000 | \$125,611,000 |

- LAHSA is proposed to receive \$70,395,000 (combined Measure H and State Homeless, Housing and Assistance Program (HHAP) and will leverage CEO and/or non-CEO administered County funding sources to maintain LAHSA service levels comparable to those in FY 2021-22. Changes within the strategy include program enhancements, such as a newly proposed nightly reimbursement rate increase from \$80 to \$90 per night for Family programs, and proposed increases in the number of full-time staff supporting the program.
- DHS is proposed to receive \$52,787,000 (combined Measure H and State Homeless, Housing and Assistance Program (HHAP) reflecting an increase due to 1) new interim housing sites that were created with County capital investments, and 2) increased salaries and employment benefits costs.
- DMH is proposed to receive \$81,000 Measure H reflecting no change from FY 2021-22.
- DPH is proposed to receive \$668,000 Measure H reflecting no change from FY 2021-22.
- CEO is proposed to receive \$1,680,000 Measure H for Continuum of Care contracts for Long Beach, Pasadena and Glendale. The recommended decrease reflects a reduction in the CEO's E8 allocation and does not impact the CoC contracts.



E14: Enhanced Services for Transition Age Youth

LEAD AGENCY: LAHSA

DESCRIPTION:

This strategy includes:

- Access/drop-in centers
- Transitional housing for youth
- Youth collaboration
- Family reconnection services
- Education Liaisons



E14: Enhanced Services for Transition Age Youth

| FY 2021-22 ALLOCATION | FY 2022-23 FUNDING RECOMMENDED |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$23,000,000 | \$21,988,000 |

EXPLANATION FOR VARIANCE FROM FY 2021-22:

 LAHSA is proposed to receive \$21,988,000 (combined Measure H and State Homeless, Housing and Assistance Program (HHAP) and will leverage non-CEO administered funding to maintain LAHSA service levels comparable to those in FY 2021-22.



Central Measure H Administration

LEAD AGENCY: Chief Executive Office - Homeless Initiative

DESCRIPTION:

The Homeless Initiative Team coordinates the overall implementation of Measure H.

| FY 2021-22 ALLOCATION | FY 2022-23 FUNDING RECOMMENDED |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$4,211,000 | \$4,980,000 |

EXPLANATION FOR VARIANCE FROM FY 2021-22:

Increase reflects increase for staff and contract needs to support Measure H administration



FY 2022-23 MEASURE H FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS PROCESS NEXT STEPS

| March 9, 2022 | 1:00-4:00pm Virtual Public Meeting to receive verbal public comments Call-in information will be posted on the HI website and released via an email notification to the Homeless Initiative subscription group. |
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| March 10, 2022 | Last day to submit public comments through HI website |
| March 17, 2021 | Homeless Initiative, County Departments, and LAHSA Strategy Leads meet to discuss public comments and consider potential revisions to recommendations |
| April 14, 2022 | Homeless Initiative presents the Board Letter with final funding recommendations at the Homeless Policy Deputies Meeting |
| May 17, 2022 | Board of Supervisors considers final FY 2022-23 HI Funding Recommendations |



QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

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To provide public comment for the FY 2022-23 Homeless Initiative Funding Recommendations, please visit this link:

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